The amendments were put and carried.

Clause 1, as amended, was put and carried.

The Preamble was put and carried.

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Sir, I move—

That the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Amendment Bill, 1956 as amened, be passed.

The motion was put and carried and the Bill as amended was passed.

VII.—GOVERNMENT MOTION.

MOTION UNDER RULE 21 (3) OF THE ASSEMBLY RULES *re* CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I move—

"That under rule 21 (3) of the Assembly Rules the House do proceed to consider the Madras Registration of Practitioners of Integrated Medicine Bill, 1956, before the Madras Estates (Supplementary) Bill, 1956."

The motion was put and carried.

VI.—GOVERNMENT BILLS—*cont.*

(2) THE MADRAS REGISTRATION OF PRACTITIONERS OF INTEGRATED MEDICINE BILL, 1956.

* THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Madras Registration of Practitioners of Integrated Medicine Bill [a], 1956, and move—

"That the Bill be taken into consideration at once."

You all know that, at present, practitioners of Indigenous Medicine in this State are registered by the Central Board of Indigenous Medicine in accordance with the rules framed by the Government for the purpose. The practitioners and other persons interested in Indigenous Medicine had also expressed their dissatisfaction with the existing arrangement for their registration. It was considered not feasible to register medical practitioners of Indigenous Medicine in a separate part in the register maintained for practitioners of modern medicine by the Madras Medical Council. With a view to make separate statutory provision, the Madras Registration of Practitioners of Indigenous Medicine Bill was published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 20th December 1954. That Bill provided only for the registration of practitioners of Indigenous Medicine who possessed the diplomas of L.I.M. and G.C.I.M. The Bill did not provide for the recognition of their rights to practise modern medicine.

The Government subsequently decided not to introduce in the Legislature the Bill in the original form but to consult the G.C.I.M. and L.I.M. Associations and to revise the Bill in the light of their opinions.

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